

DEVOTION SCHOOL PROJECT UPDATE HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

1974 - Last Renovated 40 Years Ago

- Portions were built in 1889, 1913 & 1924, expanded in 1952. Renovation demolished the 1889 & 1924 wings. Designed with 32 flexible, open classrooms for 3/4 sections in grades K-8, plus additional classrooms for special education and other programs.

1976 - School reopened after 2 years of construction

- By September 1976, enrollment had increased to 750, a 4-section K-8 school, that required re-assigning music, art, home economics and special education classrooms to be grade level classrooms.

Devotion School Renovation Update

2005

- Former open classrooms totally partitioned into substandard space to alleviate overcrowding. Former 1950's library converted into 3rd grade classrooms at the head of stairs with no handicap access. Planning initiated for upgrading substandard facilities and HVAC systems to current code.

2010

- Enrollment preK-8 reaches 785 with larger class sizes and more space partitioning. Grade level classrooms are no longer clustered, but scattered throughout school. Handicap accessibility conditions are inadequate.

Devotion School Renovation Update

2013 - 2014

- Overcrowding is worse, enrollment reaches 846 students K - 8, with 5 sections in grades K – 3.
- There are seven scheduled lunch periods. Pre-K classes moved into leased space.
- The Community Room is converted into 2 first-grade classrooms. Two additional classrooms are created by converting and reconfiguring corridor/open space areas for a total of 40 homerooms.

Devotion School Renovation Update

2015 – Planned Devotion Renovation Design

- The projected population for the renovated school is 1,044, with 5 sections at each grade level K - 8, plus 2 Pre-K classrooms, for a total of 47 classrooms.
- With common areas (cafeteria, gym, auditorium), and program spaces for special education, science, art and music, the renovated school will have a total of 52 full-sized classrooms to serve the Devotion School community's preK-8 classroom needs.

Devotion School Renovation Update

The Devotion School renovation is a major capital project that has been in the planning process for a decade.

It is being funded in a cost sharing partnership with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA), and therefore must meet MSBA standards for educational programming and spaces. The Town has followed mandated procedures and submitted a final schematic design with a preliminary cost estimate to the MSBA on April 16, 2015 for approval.

EDWARD DEVOTION SCHOOL CLASSROOM AVAILABILITY

Current Conditions

- 35 full-sized classrooms
- 5 sub-standard sized classrooms
 - 2 from divided community room
 - 2 from former open space
 - 1 from converted storage areas
- 2 Art rooms (former Shop Area)
- 2 Music rooms (former locker room and Home Ec. Room)
- 0 Band/Instrument practice areas
- 2 Science Labs combined classrooms

New/Renovated Conditions

- 45 full-sized classrooms
- Small group area for each grade
 - Special project area for each grade
 - 3 clusters of grade levels (K-2, 3-5, 6-8)
 - Small school within larger school
- 3 Art rooms with adjacent kilns (2)
- 2 Music rooms — plus ensemble room
- Band/Chorus room plus 4 instrumental practice rooms
- 3 Science Labs each with chemical storage areas

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OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL SPACE

Current Conditions

- One Library/Media space (4,700 sq. ft.)
- One Computer Lab
- One Multi-purpose room with stage
- One 4,300 sq. ft. Gymnasium
- One small gymnasium annex at 1,120 sq. ft.

New/Renovated Conditions

- Enlarged Library/ Media space (6,160 sq. ft.)
- Two Computer Labs/Tech. Rooms
- Enlarged Multi-purpose room with stage
- One 6,000 sq. ft. gymnasium with 4 step bleachers
- One small gymnasium annex at 3,060 sq. ft.

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OTHER CONDITIONS TO BE IMPROVED

Current Conditions

- Extended Day Office (former dish room)
- Grade level classrooms scattered throughout school (example, Grade 1 on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd floors)
- Special education programs- located in converted hallway spaces, closets, and supply areas
- Specialists (ELL, Literacy, Math, OT, Psych, Guidance) located in sub-standard spaces
- Handicapped accessibility issues: 1 elevator not easily accessible

New/Renovated Conditions

- Extended Day office and storage area ideal location off cafeteria
- Classroom Adjacency Planning Grade level groups of 5 classrooms clustered by grade levels (K-2, 3-5, 6-8)
- All special education programs located adjacent to grade levels they serve with appropriate sq. ft. space
- Ideally located with conference space, meeting room space, and offices
- Two centralized elevators and enhanced ramp systems at front door and main hallways

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OTHER CONDITIONS TO BE IMPROVED (CONT.)

Current Conditions

- Outdoor Playground Space (small/very poor condition)
- Main Floor Lobby (extremely narrow and congested)
- Admin office space is small with poor visibility of main entrance and visitor traffic
- Cafeteria is small- requires 7 overlapping lunch periods

New/Renovated Conditions

- New turf field plus 3 outdoor classrooms and age appropriate play areas
- Main floor lobby and hallways spacious and open with direct access to all levels and academic wings
- Admin Office space well designed with direct view of main entrance and visitor traffic
- Cafeteria- enlarged open design will accommodate 3 to 4 lunch periods per day

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Devotion School –
Community Room/New First Grades



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NEW OFFICE SPACES IN HALLWAYS



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DEVOTION SCHOOL – MUSIC ROOM CONVERTED FROM GIRL'S LOCKER ROOM



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DEVOTION SCHOOL – NEW CLASSROOM 311 CONVERTED FROM SUPPLY AREA



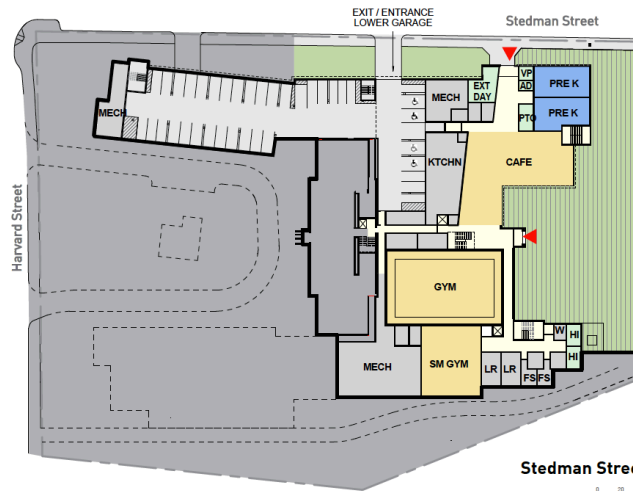
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Proposed Site Plan



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Concept Plans



ROOM KEY

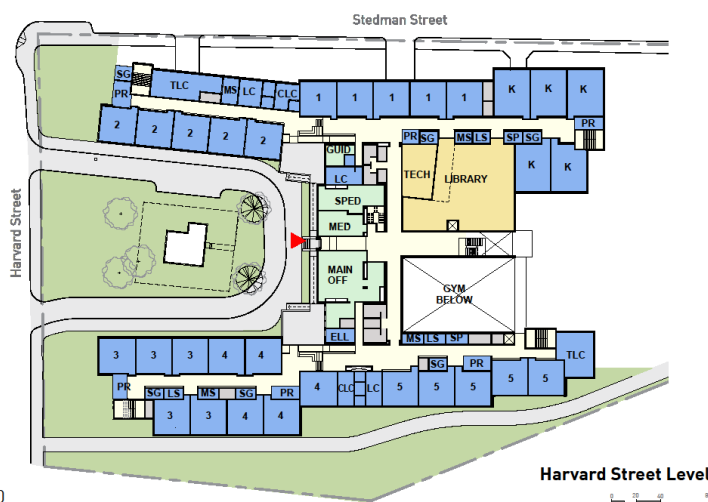
ADM	Administration
C	Custodial
CLO	Comprehensive Learning Center
CR	Classroom
CUST	Custodial
E	Electrical
EN	Ensemble
HI	Health Instructor
WKS	Workshop, Kin Learning Center
LR	Locker Room
LS	Literacy Specialist
M	Mechanical Space
MED	Medical Suite
MS	Music Specialist
OFF	Office
SC	Science Prep Area
MP	Musics Practice Room
PR	Project Area (Media)
REC	Receiving/Custodial
S	Storage
SCI	Science
SD	Small Group Room
SP	Speech
ST	Stair
TW	Teacher Workroom
T	Toilet
TLO	Therapeutic Learning Center
TECH	Tech Classroom
WL	World Language

DEPARTMENT KEY

- Administration
- Shared Spaces
- Circulation
- Support Spaces
- Core Academic

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Concept Plans



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ADM	Administration
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LD	Learning Disabilities
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EN	Ensemble
HI	Health Instructor
WK	Art Storage, Kiosk
LR	Locker Room
LS	Literacy Specialist
M	Mechanical Space
MED	Medical Suite
MS	Math Specialist
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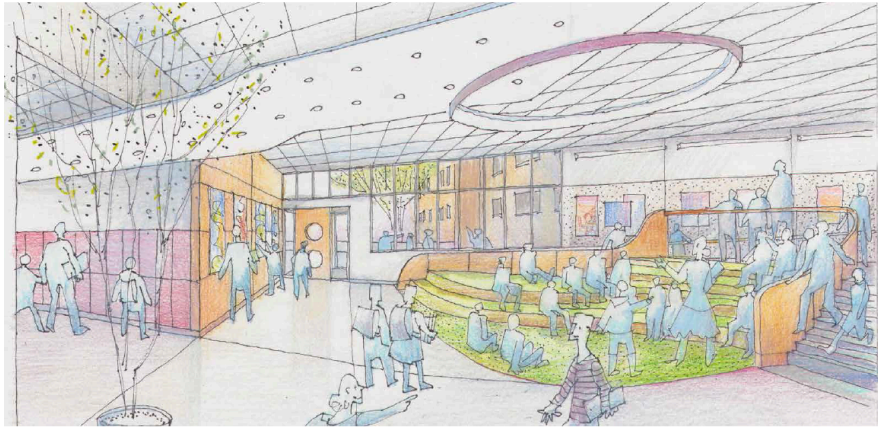
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Interior Perspective

Schematic Design



Perspective at Classroom Wing

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Exterior Perspective

Schematic Design



Harvard Street View

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Exterior Perspective

Schematic Design



Play Field View

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